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Title:	Microprecipitation Method for Preparing Submicron Suspensions	Confirmation No. 6158
Docket No.:	CPIFT-5726	) 

## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed December 8, 2004.

The Examiner rejected claims 1–15 and 18-21 as being unpatentable over Claims 1-108 of U.S. Patent No. 6,607,784. The Examiner provisionally rejected claims 1-15 and 18-21 as being unpatentable over Claims 1-99 of copending Application No. 09/874,637; Claims 1, 3-73, 75-77, and 110-118 of copending Application No. 09/953,979; Claims 1-97 of copending Application No. 10/021,692; and Claims 1-46 and 49-64 of copending Application No. 10/035,821.

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Applicants submit herewith a Terminal Disclaimer disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent issuing in the present application that would extend beyond the term of the above-referenced patent and applications. The submission of the Terminal Disclaimer is believed to moot the Examiner's rejection of the claims. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in the present application in view of the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,

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